

## NEWS BRIEFS

**Hearts Apart**  
A Hearts Apart social is at 2 p.m. Saturday at the family support center. The event is a movie with popcorn and drinks. Call Ext. 2790 no later than today to register.

**Change of command**  
Lt. Col. John Jackson III relinquishes command of 14th Operations Support Squadron to Lt. Col. David Eastman at 9 a.m. Monday at the Ceremonial Plaza.

**Golf classic**  
The Happy Fund Golf Classic begins at 8 a.m. Wednesday at the Whispering Pines Golf Course.  
Cost is \$20 for airman basic through technical sergeant and \$30 for master sergeant and above. Mulligans are \$20. Golf carts are extra.  
Cost includes hamburgers and chips. Door prizes are available.  
All proceeds go to support the Happy Fund, which benefits many children and elderly citizens in the local community. Call Ext. 7932.

**Town hall meeting**  
The family support center, in conjunction with the Columbus Municipal School District, hosts a town hall meeting at 6 p.m. July 29 at the base theater.  
Dr. Therrell Myers, school superintendent, and his staff will provide information to help students get off to a good start this school year. Call Ext. 2790.

**TSP**  
The Thrift Savings Plan open season ends July 31.  
To sign up or for more information, call Ext. 2626.

**Mission Report**

As of Wednesday

T-37

Goal: 1,710

Flown: 1,514

T-1A

Goal: 1,319.0 hrs.

Flown: 1,316.6 hrs.

T-38

Goal: 951

Flown: 859



2nd Lt. Joseph Coslett

**Unscheduled layover**  
Master Sgt. Bob Rosas and Senior Master Sgt. Mickey Shelton, 457th Fighter Squadron, Carswell Naval Air Station Ft. Worth Joint Reserve Base, Texas, examine a cannon plug in the right main wheel well as the possible cause of a generator problem on an F-16. The aircraft landed at Columbus AFB June 30 through July 15 in transient to fix the problem. The F-16 Fighting Falcon is a compact, multi-role fighter aircraft. It provides a relatively low-cost, high-performance weapon system for the United States and allied nations.

# Aerotech comes to Columbus AFB

## Summer program gives students taste of future, Air Force life

**Senior Airman Amanda Mills**  
Public affairs

Fifteen seventh through 12th-grade students visited Columbus AFB Monday through today as part of a joint program between the base and the Mississippi University for Women.

A family support center-sponsored event, Aerotech 2002 began here in 1995 as a way to introduce students to aviation, technology and the Air Force and to show them some of the many things they could do if they stay in school.

“We want to expose them to today’s technology and show them several things they could achieve if they stay in school,” said Tommy Prude, family support center and Aerotech project officer.

Participants receive classroom instruction at MUW. They also receive hands-on experience on Columbus AFB, visiting various areas such as the flying squadrons, the fire department, the clinic, weather shop, the tower, aerospace physiology, the fitness center and the enlisted dormitory.

“I’ve had a great time,” said Tarah Cotton, age 13, from Pass Christian, Miss. “I’ve learned so much more than I thought I would, and the visit to the fire station was the best.”

To attend the summer program, students fill out an application and return it to MUW, according to Patricia Brock, MUW director of the department of continuing education. “Any person in seventh through 12th grade who turns in an appli-

cation and meets all the requirements can attend the camp,” Brock said. “This time we have kids from as far away as Kentucky and as far south as Biloxi (Miss.).

“We’re trying to get larger groups together because we feel like it’s an excellent way for them to be exposed to different life experiences.”

Prude says he benefits from the program as well.

“I like giving the students something to strive for. Most of these young people don’t have the opportunity to see these things the way we do. It’s great being able to see the glee in their eyes and hearing them say things like ‘I could do that!’”



Airman Alexis Lloyd  
2nd Lt. Ryan Nelson, 14th Civil Engineer Squadron, uses a chainsaw to clear the path in Dogwood Trails.

# CE Squadron clears trails

**Airman Alexis Lloyd**  
Public affairs

The 14th Civil Engineer Squadron Environmental Flight began cleaning up the nature trails by SAC Lake June 25.

“I want people to walk down the trails and enjoy the scenery but not have to dodge tree branches and fallen logs,” said 2nd Lt. Ryan Nelson, 14th CES biological engineer.

The trail renovation should take about two more weeks, Nelson said. The new trails will be marked with arrow signs and white diamonds painted on trees for people to navigate easily while enjoying the natural beauty of the base.

“If [CES] keeps them maintained, people will enjoy using them,” Nelson said.

The trails are open to walkers, joggers, horseback riders and mountain bikers. Nelson said he plans on going to the trails twice a month with a lunch and work all day on them.

“Lieutenant Nelson is doing a great job taking the initiative to improve the nature trails,” said Michael Smith, 14th CES chief of environment flight. “The trails are here for everyone on base to enjoy, and we hope folks will take the opportunity to use them.”

“I feel the trails have gone from being very overgrown, impassable forests to beautiful walkways,” Nelson said. “A lot of sweat has gone into the renovation of these trails, and I feel they have come a long way.

“Northeast Mississippi has some of the most beautiful natural scenery in the United States, and Columbus AFB is lucky enough to own some of this land,” Nelson said. “By maintaining these trails, people can enjoy this natural beauty without leaving the gates.”

# CAFB East Gate gets face lift

## with addition of visitor center

**Tech. Sgt. Jim Moser**  
Public affairs

Columbus AFB’s front gate is getting a facelift in the coming months with construction of a parking and vehicle area.

“With the current requirements, this new area will provide visitors additional parking for obtaining passes and a more adequate area to search vehicles during increased Force Protection Conditions and random searches,” said Master Sgt. Patrick Bell, 14th Security Forces Squadron installation security superintendent.

Though no date has been set for the beginning of construction, the 14th Civil Engineer Squadron has plans in the works.

According to 1st Lt. Greg Pagano, 14th CES, the construction will have two phases and is planned to have minimal impact on traffic.

“The first phase, lasting about a month, will be spent working on a parking area between the main gate and where the visitor’s center trailer is located,” he said. “We will be installing light poles, curbs storm drains and laying a compacted gravel base. During this phase we’ll be able to work around any traffic at the gate.”

Phase two involves grinding, trenching, and resurfacing the road through the main gate.

“During phase two of the construction we will be closing one lane at a time to traffic to dig a trench for utilities and paving the main gate entrance,” he said. “We plan to complete the majority of this phase over a weekend to minimize any inconveniences. It will involve closing the main gate to outgoing traffic, but the south gate will be open for outgoing traffic.”

Pagano also said news about the construction will be advertised in the Silver Wings, on base marquees and Channel 64.



**Former enlisted advisor dies**  
**RANDOLPH AFB, Texas** — The seventh person to hold the top enlisted position for the Air Force’s training command died Tuesday.  
Chief Master Sgt. Robert Carter was the senior enlisted advisor for Air Training Command from July 15, 1983 to Oct. 31, 1985.  
“Chief Carter was a ‘chief’s chief,’” said Chief Master Sgt. William Milligan, command chief master sergeant for Air Education and Training Command. “He was a sharp senior NCO who was always willing to go the extra mile for the enlisted folks.”  
Carter served in the Air Force for 35 years, more than 22 of those years as a chief. He lived in San Antonio, Texas, after retiring from the Air Force in October 1985.  
Carter was born in February 1931 in Marshalltown, Iowa, where he graduated from Union High School and attended Marshalltown Junior College. He enlisted in the Air Force in September 1950. Following basic training he attended the Air Police Course at Tyndall AFB, Fla.  
Carter graduated from the Noncommissioned Officers Preparatory School in 1956 and from the 2nd Air Force Noncommissioned Officers Academy in 1960. In January 1973 he was among the first 102 chief master sergeants to graduate with the first class of the Air Force Senior Noncommissioned Officers Academy.  
His first assignment was Attebury AFB, Ind., as an air policeman. Other assignments included Royal Air Force Mildenhall, U.K., and Castle AFB, Calif., before cross training into the management analysis career field in 1955. Subsequent assignments included RAF Greenham Common, U.K.; Lincoln AFB, Neb.; Barksdale AFB, La.; Offutt AFB, Neb., and Webb AFB, Texas.  
Carter’s first assignment as a senior enlisted advisor was with the 3560th Pilot Training Wing at Webb AFB, Texas, in 1968. Other advisor positions included the 3510th Flying Training Wing, Randolph AFB, Texas; Headquarters Recruiting Service, Randolph AFB, Texas; and the Air Force Military Training Center, Lackland AFB, Texas. His last job in the Air Force was as the senior enlisted advisor for Air Training Command. *(Courtesy of AETC News)*

**Badge identifies commanders**  
**WASHINGTON** — A new Air Force badge providing distinctive recognition to commanders will be available shortly, according to personnel officials.  
The Air Force Command Insignia will be awarded to squadron, group, wing and equivalent organization commanders in the ranks of major through colonel, said Maj. Douglas Mullins, chief of commanders’ programs and recognition policy at the Pentagon.  
According to Mullins, the command insignia should be on the shelves of military clothing sales stores in August.  
While mandatory for people currently in a commander billet, wear of the badge will be optional for those with past command experience.  
Additional guidance about award criteria and proper uniform wear will be made available in the coming weeks, Mullins said. *(Courtesy of AF News)*

# Young actors perform version of ‘Cinderella’

Story and photos by 2nd Lt. Joseph Coslett  
Public affairs

More than 30 Columbus AFB children experienced the world of theater July 8 to 12 at the youth center.

The youth begged, sang and cried their way through the Missoula Children’s Theatre’s musical version of “Cinderella” Saturday.

Amy Magourik and Tyler Lindsay, MCT tour actors and directors, oversaw the audi-



Mary Rash, Cinderella, watches Tyler Lindsay, the Prince, place a glass shoe on as town criers Thomas Anzelone and Beshawn Davis look on.

## UCMJ FILES

The following is the staff judge advocate report for April 1 to June 31. Administrative and disciplinary actions are published to educate people on the possible consequences of misconduct.

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A major received a reprimand and two forfeitures of \$2,627 for drunk driving.

A second lieutenant received a reprimand and two forfeitures of \$500 for dereliction of duty and for making a false official statement.

An airman first class recieved a reprimand, seven days extra duty and a suspended reduction to airman basic for assault and battery.

An airman first class received 10 days

tions for each part of the play from town criers to Cinderella.

Once the future actors were chosen the directors quickly took charge. They showed them how to act by example and direction until the day of the musical.

“At first a bunch of kids were putting on their own play, then we came together,” said Erika McCollor, who played Lovely, the wicked stepsister.

“Starting the week some kids are shy, and

by the end of the week they open up and perform better than they ever thought they could,” Magourik said.

Every once in a while things would get out of control.

“We all laughed because I’m a town crier and I cry all the time, but right after we started getting silly Amy told us to get serious,” said Beshawn Davis, one of the two town criers.

“We have two days left; right now you are not ready but not to worry, you will be,” Lindsay added.

After a week of hard work the children came together to give an entertaining rendition of “Cinderella.”

“It was amazing to see what the kids could do after a week of practice,” said Capt. Tim Colley, 48th Flying Training Squadron.

The play taught many lessons for the children.

“We learned the cans and cant’s of acting,” McCollor said.

“Overall it gives them self-confidence and accomplishment to see what they are able to do in one week,” Magourik said

MCT program takes the kids to a new stage, according to Lindsay, but a problem will arise for next year.

Currently the MCT program is under an umbrella contract from the Air Force for a trial period for visiting several Air Force bases. In



Rash and Amy Magourik, Fairy Godmother, discuss their wishes for the ball.

order for MCT to provide their services for next year, Columbus AFB has to request the company to come back.

“It is a good opportunity for kids to be something,” said Thomas Anzelone, one of the town criers. “Thanks to Amy, Tyler and the youth center.”

## New squadron commander

**What is your vision as a squadron commander?:** Educate the force on all levels.

**What is your leadership philosophy?:** Everyone can and should contribute.

**What do you look forward to as a squadron commander?:** Clear skies and an empty inbox.

**Hometown:** Webster, NY  
**Spouse:** T  
**Children:** Daughter, Sawyer, 5



Lt. Col. Paul Judge  
48th Flying Training Squadron commander

# Commander reflects on 9 years at Columbus AFB

Lt. Col. John Jackson III  
14th Operations Support Squadron



Some of you will read that headline and grimace.

The truth of it is that — even though I’m not a big fan of the local area — my 8.8 years here have been the best of my career. I love this noble mission we do — the training business.

I say that with the 20-20 hindsight of a 21-year career, with 12 years as an instructor pilot. OK, I do miss my weapon system, the F-15C, and its air superiority mission. But for those of us that thrive on making a difference in the lives of people — especially young people — there is no more rewarding challenge than the Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training business. All the best opportunities for leadership, growth and mentoring are right here. There’s a good reason why job satisfaction in our command is the highest in the Air Force.

This is also an Air Force base to love ... a beautiful diamond in the rough out here in the backwoods of Mississippi. Supporting the mission, we have one of the

most perfect combinations of airspace and runways in the world. Our facilities have all the right pieces and parts and then some, which is impressive since — as you might have noticed — we’re not exactly at the top of the fiscal food chain.

I’ve seen Columbus AFB at what was probably its low point, after a fatal aircraft crash and an embarrassing Operational Readiness Inspection. Likewise, I feel very lucky to have been along for this ride on what must be its high point — right now.

Everything here shines ... mission, facilities, safety — everything. Each group in this wing has stared down, tackled and beaten every challenge with total class and — in the end — bragging rights. Sometimes it’s hard to see beyond your niche, but there’s a lot to be proud of if you’ve been on the BLAZE team these past couple years.

But, like almost every assignment, it’s the people who make working here at Columbus AFB so memorable. In memory of one of those great people and one of the most influential leaders in my life, I’d like to share a touch of Columbus AFB heritage that most of you are not familiar with.

I wrote this in 1996 at the Pentagon with two fellow CAFB grads ... we sent it to the 14th Flying Training Wing commander for the service that memorialized the

name of Col. Bill Phillips in our ops group auditorium.

*Many will recall that Bill Phillips was the man who put the “tiger” back in the tiger squadron. In many ways, that symbol (along with, perhaps, his gold Corvette) represented perfectly the indomitable strength of his leadership and the fire in his eye. After years of flying the F-15 — an opportunity we owe, in part, to him — we’re qualified to say that Bill Phillips had as much the soul of a fighter pilot as anyone we’ve ever flown with.*

*As a commander, he was a role model of a rare breed. In a time when many officers were protecting their careers at all costs, Bill Phillips was never afraid to go out on a limb for what he believed in. His rather “colorful” language complemented an aggressive, confident and risky style. The lengths to which he would go to support his squadron’s mission and people often surprised his superiors and aggravated his peers.*

*He subscribed to the theory that if he took care of his people, they’d take care of the mission. He was right. His loyalty to us was returned tenfold. The 37th Flying Training Squadron’s achievements, safety record and inspection results during his tenure speak for themselves*

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## STRAIGHT TALK LINE

**Airmen 1st Class Turquoise Davis and Chris Meyers, 37th Flying Training Squadron, and Col. Tom Quelly, 14th Flying Training Wing commander, look at flight schedules on flat screen monitors. The screens are part of the new 37th and 41st FTS’s Operations Center, which was built in June. The center also includes a more modern desk space design. The 37th and 41st’s Operations Center handles about 200 flights a day.**



Senior Airman Amanda Mills

The Straight Talk Line is your direct line to the commander for comments and suggestions on how to make Columbus AFB a better place.

Although the Straight Talk Line is always available, the best way to resolve problems is through the chain of command.

The Straight Talk Line phone number is 434-7058. Callers should leave their full name and phone number to receive an answer. All names will be kept confidential.

Messages may be answered in the Silver Wings without names.

Written questions may also be brought to the public affairs office in the wing headquarters building Bldg. 724. Questions and answers will be edited for brevity.

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**Speakers are needed for the Columbus AFB Speaker’s Bureau. Anyone interested in speaking about the Air Force or their career field at civic clubs, career fairs, science fairs, elementary schools or high schools in the Golden Triangle area can come to the public affairs office and fill out an application. Call Ext. 7065.**

# Hails and farewells: Part of our tradition

**Lt. Col. Marty Martin**  
14th Support Group



Columbus AFB welcomed more than 24,000 guests to join in our Go 4th celebration this recent July 4. Hard work, a volunteer spirit and teamwork on the part of BLAZE team members and our many gracious community partners made this an incredibly enjoyable and safe event for everyone.

On the same day that we greeted our guests and enjoyed an evening of music, food and fireworks, the Air Force and our nation said farewell to Gen. Benjamin Davis Jr., a pioneer and the Air Force’s first African-American general, who passed away at the age of 89.

At the height of this summer and our legendary “permanent change of station season,” the “hellos” and “so longs” appear to be a mandatory part of the day’s events.

Change of command ceremonies, farewell roasts, the all-important presentation of the CSP (that is, the crummy squadron plaque), the last minute rush of performance reports and decorations and the whirlwind orientation tours where the new guy or gal shakes the hands of many hoping to at least remember a few names, are just a few of the coming and going standards we maintain. The

families even get to share, learning the subtleties of the moving world from pack date to pick-up and delivery date, sampling what their nearest Air Force bowling center has to offer on the menu and learning to live temporary lodging facility-style one more time. These challenges are all just an inevitable part of being members of this dynamic and constantly changing Air Force.

Each of you in your own way has a part in keeping the team together during these times, be it leaning in to help out with a co-worker’s move, putting the words on that fabled “CSP,” simply showing up for a luncheon, helping out with house hunting or being the one that shows the new kid around.

You steer them to the base agencies that can help them solve their problems and all the while try to keep the oars in the water, since you’re now short an oarsman and the new guy isn’t really sure which end to paddle with just yet.

With all this said, just remember two things. First, grab hold of the new folks and share all that information you’ve accrued ... this job (by design) is a new challenge for them ... and listen to them, they’ve seen things at Base X that just might make things work a little better here. Finally, send your squadron mates off well and then try, even though it’s not easy sometimes, to stay in touch ... they’ll see new things at the next place that can make things better for all of us back here and ... it’s inevitable ... your paths will cross again.

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*. Our camaraderie and esprit de corps were the envy of the 14th FTW.*

*As first assignment instructor pilots then new to the Air Force, our careers were indelibly stamped with the positive influence of this incredible man.*

*We’ve never known a more dedicated commander or a leader with more ability to inspire people in selfless dedication to common goals. Words only begin to tell you how strongly we feel about him and the preservation of his legacy in this auditorium. In the sense that so many of us who had the great privilege to work for him carry a piece of him with us every day, Bill Phillips will live for a long, long time. Godspeed to our friend, Carolyn, and our fellow aviators at the finest training base in the land.*

You might ponder this question ... 10 years from now, would the people I work with today be proud to say, “Yes, I’ll carry a piece of him or her with me the rest of my life.”

Be good to one another. Keep looking ahead in your life ... plan and act accordingly. Never stop growing and learning. Make safety a way of life. Say, “I’m sorry” or “I screwed up” when it’s appropriate -- take full responsibility for your failings and press on. Always remember that the Air Force of tomorrow will be shaped by the difference you make in the lives of the hundreds of young people passing through the BLAZE campus each year.

As Laura, Taylor, Hannah, Catie, Wednesday (the dog) and I move on to Maxwell AFB, we’d like to thank all of you who made such a positive difference in our lives during my second tour here. We’ll miss you all a great deal — Godspeed.

# CSAF focuses on lessons learned at conference

**Gen. John Jumper**  
Chief of Staff of the Air Force

This year’s CORONA Top was a true leadership gathering. The conference was held in conjunction with the Air Force’s Transformation Summit which included representatives from industry, the political arena and government.

One of our guest speakers, Herb Kelleher, president of Southwest Airlines, told the audience that “only in change is there security,” highlighting the reality that those who fail to adapt, face an unenviable future. Another guest, Newt Gingrich, challenged us to “set very big goals with short timelines and delegate the authority to achieve those goals,” emphasizing the ability to create your future through proactive involvement. Mark Herman, Booze, Allen and Hamilton, reminded the audience that “transformation was a journey rather than a destination,” underlying the fact that we

must embrace change and the opportunities it provides. This open and candid forum validated many of the initiatives our Air Force is undertaking as we continue our journey to a bright and promising future.

One aspect of the post-September environment is the reality that we are no longer experiencing surge operations; rather, we are faced with a new, higher standard of operations tempo. And while our operational rhythm will fluctuate with world events, it is unlikely we will return to a pre-September level. Given this new reality, our success hinges on the ability to meet our future head on. This requires a responsive, agile and deployable force, presented in the form of the Air Expeditionary Force. Flexibility is a key element of our rich heritage and will remain so in the future.

### Proactive adjustments

Unfortunately, our past success guarantees nothing, further it can

potentially stifle creative thought. The Air Force can ill afford to merely stand by and watch the future play out. We must proactively engage those areas within our control to maintain our combat effectiveness. Several such areas were addressed at CORONA Top.

One opportunity before us is to expand the number of USAF members included in our deployment unit training codes and to ensure that, to the extent possible, we deploy our forces as units as opposed to the piecemeal fashion with which we have become all too familiar.

We must develop properly sized UTCs for everything we do. This does two things: It provides all airmen the opportunity to participate in our worldwide commitments, and it helps decrease the demand on those airmen who are currently carrying more than their share of our deployment burden.

This effort will mesh with our “burn-down” plan to further reduce the impact

of Stop Loss and to facilitate the demobilization of our Guard and Reserve professionals, allowing them to return to their pre-9-11 lives. Another key element is ensuring our deployed forces return to their home units upon completion of assigned tasks.

The demands on our deployed forces are increasingly dynamic. We will continue to emphasize training that guarantees our airmen are prepared to deploy fully mission-capable and ready to hit the ground running upon arrival at the deployed location. These efforts will dramatically enhance the capability of one of our most dynamic weapons systems, the Combined Air Operations Center.

### Capabilities focus

The USAF is leading Department of Defense’s effort to transition from a program-centric focus to one based on capabilities and effects.

# Change — top priority for Air Force

**Master Sgt. Rick Burnham**  
Air Force Print News

**WASHINGTON** — The Air Force’s 55th birthday is drawing near, marking five-and-a-half decades of achievement in the air, both in peacetime and during war.

But, the two men who head the service point to the future, and not the past, as the service’s most exciting time. It will be an era, they believe, characterized by great advances in both the technologies employed by the service, and the men and women charged with leveraging those technologies.

The transformation of the Air Force into that 21st century power, said Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James Roche and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper, has already begun, and exists at many levels.

“Transformation is not just about a single thing ... not about just a new system,” Roche said July 10 in an interview taped for the Monday and Aug. 5 editions of Air Force Television News. “It’s about creating new systems, but it’s also about taking existing systems and using them in brand new ways.”

That has been a key in Afghanistan, Jumper said. America’s victories in the war on terrorism are due in large part to innovation.

“We have a staff sergeant riding around on a horse in Afghanistan, talking to a crew in a B-52 flying overhead at 36,000 feet,” the general said. “It’s a 40-year-old B-52 (Stratofortress), and a 21st century laser-guided bomb and (global positioning satellite) guidance system. And it’s a mean horse that comes from the mountains of Afghanistan that this guy was riding. The kid on the horse with the laser goggles enables the crews from the B-52 to put GPS-guided bombs to within 800 meters of friendly positions on the ground. That’s transformation.”

When technology and innovation come together with the men and women of today’s Air Force, Jumper added, great things happen. He credited the people on the ground, often working in joint environments, with getting the job done.

“Our special operations guys, our special tactics guys, and our tactical air controllers on the ground are making these things happen,” Jumper said. “People wearing Air Force uniforms mixed in with Army formations and Navy SEAL formations as well. Special operators putting together the technologies and the tactics and the procedures to get

everything out of the stuff that we possibly can.”

While airmen use innovation to transform the Air Force’s battlefield engagements, others are hard at work changing the way weapons and weapon platforms are designed and acquired, boding equally well for the future. Roche said one great example is the development of the F-22 Raptor, and the concept of the FB-22.

“You don’t have to start from scratch — you can adapt something based on inherent capabilities,” he said. “If there’s some new technology that can be attached to some existing systems, it can do quite well. I think you find this on the F-22, where we take an aircraft that was truly designed originally to be an air-to-air superiority fighter that was going to dominate the skies forever. We found its inherent characteristics of stealth and high altitude, supercruise and advanced avionics make it an absolutely superlative air-to-ground attack system in heavily threatened environments.

“So it’s changing our thinking, but not necessarily throwing everything away. It’s building upon that which we have, but using it in very new ways which is the essence of most revolutions in military affairs,” the secretary added.

A revolutionary change for the Air Force began recently when eight Air Force enlisted people were selected for admission to the Air Force Institute of Technology, an important transformational event, Roche said.

“We see an Air Force that’s increasingly complex and very technical, where our noncommissioned officers are dealing with unbelievable levels of technology,” he said. “And if our (noncommissioned officers) have helped themselves to get a baccalaureate, if we can assist them in getting an advanced degree where they can bring their abilities to bear on our technology and on our systems, that’s got to be an advantage.

In essence, the secretary said, transformation is not a destination but a journey. Fortunately, he said, the pieces are in place to make that journey a smooth one.

These and other topics will be covered in a special edition of Air Force Television News. Hosted by Tech. Sgts. David Pullen and Paul Firman, this marks the first time the program has been recorded on location, the first time two editions have been devoted to a single subject, and the first time Roche and Jumper have sat down with Air Force Television News at one time to discuss issues facing the Air Force.

*(Courtesy of AF News)*

## CSAF (Continued from Page 5)

We are taking transformational steps to maximize our warfighting capabilities. These include the standup of the combat wing organization, the development of capabilities-based contingency operations, and changing the way we plan, program and budget for the future.

Each of our six CONOPs continues to development through dedicated efforts of our major command and Air Staff champions. This increased fidelity ensures our ability to correctly prioritize funding. Since the Air Force draws its capabilities

from the AEF, our MAJCOMs must continue to align their forces with contingency operations to maximize operational effectiveness. These efforts provide greater warfighting flexibility.

### Seamless integration

We continue to emphasize the seamless integration of manned, unmanned and space systems. It is through such integration that we achieve the greatest return on our investment in our warfighting capabilities. These integration efforts include fully integrating combat, mobility

and space forces into joint synthetic battlespace simulations; creating “Red-Flag-like” training for our mission support group commanders; and designating a greater role for ARC forces in the CAOC.

As DOD’s executive agent for space, the Air Force has a responsibility to properly integrate space operations into DOD’s warfighting structure. This will necessitate a far-reaching vision which will be closely monitored by our sister services and other organizations interested in space operations.

### Conclusion



## Lieutenant thanks base for drive help

Columbus AFB held a blood drive with the help of Mississippi Blood Services, the fitness center and the health and wellness center May 22.

The turnout was the best Columbus AFB has ever seen. Donations for the day totaled 107 units from 117 individuals. By the end of the day, a few people had to be turned away due to the unexpected large turnout.

Mississippi Blood Services almost ran out of supplies because they expected about 50 donors. This estimate was due to Columbus AFB’s history of having such low turnouts for blood drives.

Credit for the increased turnout is due in large part to the squadron points-of-contact, all of whom did exceptional jobs in marketing and advertising the blood drive. Also, the Wing Commander’s Gift of Life Traveling Trophy was at stake and was presented to the squadron commander who had the highest percentage of individuals donating blood during this blood drive. The trophy was presented June 21 to Lt. Col. Anthony Smith of the 37th Flying Training Squadron. His squadron had a 37 percent donor rate.

A big “Thank You” goes out to everyone who participated in the blood drive. You not only saved lives, but also saved the Air Force approximately \$12,000 in purchasing blood products to be used at military hospitals. The next scheduled blood drive is Aug. 30.

*1st Lt. Jimmey Labit*

14th Medical Support Squadron  
Chief, Laboratory Services

## AT THE CHAPEL

### Chapel schedule

#### Catholic

##### Sunday activities:

9 a.m. — Mass  
5 p.m. — Confessions  
5:30 p.m. — Mass  
**Wednesday**  
11:30 a.m. — Mass

#### Protestant

##### Sunday activities:

9 a.m. — Sunday school  
10:45 a.m. — Protestant worship  
1 p.m. — Contemporary worship  
**Wednesdays**  
5:30 p.m. — Video Bible study supper  
7:15 p.m. — Choir rehearsal  
**Thursdays**  
11:30 a.m. — Lunch Bible study  
For Islamic, Jewish, Orthodox or other services, call the chapel at Ext. 2500.

## AT THE MOVIES

All movies are shown at 7 p.m., unless otherwise noted, at the base theater.

#### Today

“*Divine Secrets of the Ya Ya Sisterhood*” (PG-13, mature thematic elements, 116 min.)  
Starring: Sandra Bullock and Ellen Burstyn.

#### Saturday

“*Spiderman*” (PG-13, stylized violence and action, 121 min.)  
Starring: Tobey Maguire and Kirsten Dunst.

#### July 26

“*Scooby Doo*” (PG, rude humor, 87 min.)  
Starring: Sarah Michelle Gellar and Freddie Prinze Jr.

## CHANNEL 64

BLAZE 64 offers announcements for people living in base housing or the dormitories.

Call 2nd Lt. Joseph Coslett for more information at Ext. 7065.

#### Weekdays

**9 a.m., noon and 2 p.m.**

Air Force Television News

**Monday through July 26**

**9:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.**  
College Level Examination Program:  
“Mathematics”

## FAMILY SUPPORT



*(Editor's note: All activities are offered at the family support center unless otherwise specified. For more information, call Ext. 2790.)*

**Basic life support:** The 14th Medical Group sponsors a Basic Life Support Instructor Course Aug. 1 through Aug. 2. Instructor candidates must have a current BLS provider certification card, and those who don't have a card can take a BLS provider course a week before the instructor course. Call Anthony Cook at Ext. 2908.

**Remote/deployed brief:** Military people who are going remote or being deployed must attend a mandatory brief offered at 9 a.m. Thursdays.

## LIFE SKILLS SUPPORT



*(Editor's note: All activities offered are at the life skills support office located on the second floor of the 14th Medical Group unless otherwise specified. For more information, call Ext. 2239.)*

**Special needs:** The Exceptional Family Member Program is designed to ensure service availability for active-duty family members with special needs.

The need must be identified at the current duty station or before a permanent change of station. The program assists families with relocation when a medical condition exists, helping them find resources on base and in the local community.

## BASE NOTES



**Aircraft briefing:** A spouse aircraft briefing is at 7 p.m. July 30 in Phillips Auditorium. Call Ext. 7158.

**Education fair:** An education fair is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 8 at the education center. The education services staff will be available with information on local and on-line universities. Call Ext. 2563.



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## Higher, higher!

**Kaitlynn Underbrink, two years old, gets a push from her brother, Andrew Underbrink, 3 years old, at Freedom Park Wednesday. The park is open to the public and features a track, volleyball area, Tots Land and a playground.**

**Officers spouses club:** The officers spouses club offers a membership drive and special activities social at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 13 at the Columbus Club.  
The menu is heavy hors d'oeuvres. Cost is \$6 for club members and \$9 for non-club members. Call 434-5511 by noon Aug. 6 for reservations.

**Supply assistance:** The point of contact for supply customers requiring assistance is customer service. For assistance, call Ext. 7178.

**Overpricing program:** People are encouraged to participate in this program and will be rewarded for any tangible sav-

ings that result from their price challenge. Monetary awards are given in accordance with AFI 38-401, the Air Force Innovative Development Employee Awareness Program. For guidance, call Ext. 7178.

## AROUND TOWN



**Lake Lowndes duathlon:** The Duathlon 2002 begins at 8 a.m. Aug. 17 at Lake Lowndes. Cost is \$20 for early registration or \$25 the day of the race. Call 328-2110.

# SERVICES SNAPSHOTS

## New extended-duty child care program comes to Columbus

### Martha Mann

Child development center director

The new Air Force extended-duty child care program will arrive Aug. 4 at Columbus AFB.

“The intent of the program is to provide support to families who need care beyond their regular child care arrangements,” according to Dr. Beverly Schmalzried, chief of family member programs for Air Force Services.

Administered by the family child care staff, the program is open to active-duty military from any branch of service assigned to or living on the base, Department of Defense civilians assigned to the base, Reservists on active duty or during Reserve training and DOD contractors assigned to the base.

Under special contract, the Air Force pays to have a specified family child care home available for parents who need extended care due to unplanned longer duty days, temporary or unplanned shift changes, unplanned weekend duty, and rapid mobilization or deployment of dual-military or single parents until the children

can be picked up by the appropriate designee.

The program is not designed for use by parents who might be workaholics and choose to stay at work later than they're required. It also can't be used to meet regular child care requirements, to provide care during normal shift work, for off-duty education and employment, or to provide hourly care for non-duty related reasons.

“Parents must fill out an application, meet the provider in advance and provide other information about the child to include immunization records and emergency contact names and phone numbers,” said Jayne Abshire, family member programs flight chief. “Any parent, not just those who have children enrolled in an on-base child care facility, can use the program as long as they meet the qualifications. To save time they can sign up now at the child development center's family child care office.”

For more information, or an appointment to receive an application and a brief overview, call Ext. 2486 or Ext. 2479.



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## Preparing the wheel

**Brad McDill, illustrator, prepares the wheel with the prizes for cosmic no-tap bowling with a spin tournament tonight at the bowling center. Sign up by 6:45 p.m. Games begin at 7 p.m. Entry is \$7.50 per person. A DVD player, a Palm Pilot and a Game Boy are just a few of the prizes bowlers could win. Tournament is open to novice and experienced bowlers. Call Ext. 2426.**

## Services: Check out what we have to offer

✔ **Teens only pool party:** Teens will party at the base pool from 7:30 to 10 p.m. Aug. 3. Cost is \$2 for youth center members and \$4 for nonmembers. Call Ext. 2504.

✔ **Zocchi the Ventriloquist:** As part of the National Kids Day, Zocchi the Ventriloquist will be performing at 3 p.m. Aug. 4 at the base theater. The performance is free and all ages are welcome.

✔ **All-ranks bingo:** Bingo is at the community center at 5:30 p.m. Friday. Played are two \$25 games,

two \$50 games and one \$500 progressive jackpot with a consolation prize of \$50 if the jackpot does not go in 61 numbers or less.

✔ Cost is \$1 for a 2-on-1 card for the \$25 games, \$1.50 for a 3-on-1 card for the \$50 games and \$1 for a single card for the jackpot game. Call Ext. 2489.

✔ **Enlisted lounge entertainment:** Disc jockey Maze entertains from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today.

✔ **Steak and chicken grill and pool party:** The Columbus Club's Tuesday night buffet features the best

in grilled steak and chicken from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Price is \$7.95 for club members and \$10.95 for nonmembers. The pool will be open until 7:30 p.m. Call Ext. 2489.

✔ **After-school registration:** The youth center is accepting applications for the after-school program starting in August. Fees are based on total family income. Please bring the family's leave and earnings statements and a copy of the child's shot record. Call Ext. 2504.

✔ **Summer reading program awards day:** The library will present their awards for the summer reading program at 9:30 a.m. Aug. 6.

✔ **Piano lessons:** Register now for piano lessons slated to begin Aug. 7. Cost is \$30 per month and is open to ages 4 and older. Call Ext. 2504.

✔ **Casino trip:** The information, ticket and travel office offers a trip to the Silver Star Casino in Philadelphia, Miss., Aug. 16. Cost is \$15 and includes transportation and \$15 in coins. The bus will leave the community center parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and return around 2 a.m. Aug. 17.

✔ **Geyser Falls water theme park:** The information, ticket and travel office is offering a trip to this new water park located in Philadelphia, Miss., Aug. 24. Cost is \$28 per person and includes transportation and ticket to the park. Call Ext. 7858.

✔ **Professional football games:** The information, ticket and travel office offers two trips to New Orleans, La.

The first trip is Sept. 14 and 15 to watch the Green Bay Packers play the New Orleans Saints. Cost is \$110 per person and includes transportation, lodging (double occupancy), ticket to the game and shuttle service. A \$50 deposit is required at registration.

The next trip is Oct. 4 to 6 to watch the Pittsburgh Steelers against the New Orleans Saints. Cost is \$160 per person and includes transportation, lodging (double occupancy), tickets to the game and shuttle service. A \$50 deposit is required at registration.

✔ **Library automated checkout system:** Stop by the library to register you and your family into the system to become a user. Call Ext. 2934.

✔ **Family child care providers needed:** If you live in base housing and are interested in providing child care in your home, call the family child care office at Ext. 2479. You must be licensed to provide child care in your home if the total is more than 10 hours a week for either one child or a combination of children.

✔ **Leisure travel:** The information, ticket and travel office located in the outdoor recreation, offers leisure travel services for cruises, lodging, rental cars, airline tickets and more. Stop by or call Ext. 7858.

## Columbus Club Lunch Buffet

*Served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Cost: \$4.95 for members  
and \$7.50 for nonmembers  
Price includes vegetable of the day, salad and tea*

**Today**  
Fried Catfish  
Cube Steak  
Cherry Cobbler

**Monday**  
Fried Chicken  
Liver and Onions  
Banana Pudding

**Tuesday**  
Fried Chicken  
Swiss Steak  
Peach Cobbler

**Wednesday**  
Roast Pork  
Baked Fish  
Banana Pudding

**Thursday**  
Pulled Pork  
Ribs  
Apple Cobbler

**Don't forget to ask for your “Member Rewards” entry form to qualify for an all-expenses paid trip to Orlando, Fla. or a week's vacation at a resort of the winner's choice. Contest ends July 31. Call Ext. 2489.**

# Columbus AFB civilian wins free trip

**Airman Alexis Lloyd**  
Public affairs

A 14th Civil Engineer Squadron civilian was one of two people Air Force wide who won a free trip Monday to Jamaica or the Bahamas for participating in Mission Fitness 2002.

“It’s pretty unbelievable,” said Sarah Fafinski. “I didn’t think I was that lucky.”

Mission Fitness 2002 was part of the May fitness month. Every time a person worked out at the fitness and sports center, took a class or attended one of the Mission Fitness 2002 activities, he or she got stamps on a card. It took 20 stamps to turn in one card.

“I didn’t even think I was going to finish the card,” Fafinski said. She turned in her card just beating the deadline.

“Mission Fitness 2002 was a great effort for our fitness center to help people make healthy lifestyle choices and to make fitness a part of their life’s ‘mission,’” said Rob Wilburn, fitness and sports center director. “It’s our duty, as Air Force fitness centers, to provide the resources and knowledge for our Air Force family to use and maintain healthy lifestyles.”

Fafinski is not sure whether she and her husband will be going to Jamaica or the Bahamas. This trip will be a second honeymoon for the couple.

“We were very glad to have Sarah win and continue to help promote fitness at Columbus AFB,” Wilburn said.

**Sarah Fafinski, Mission Fitness 2002 winner, takes a weight training class Tuesday at the fitness and sports center.**



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Golf standings			
The following are the final regular season standings. Playoffs start at 2 p.m. Tuesday and include the top six teams. Call Ext. 7932.			
Team	Wins	Losses	Ties
14th SVS 1	12	1	0
14th LS	10	2	1
DynCorp	10	3	0
14th CES 2	8	3	2
14th CES 1	9	4	0
14th SFS	8	5	0
14th MDG	7	6	0
14th MSS	6	7	0
14th OSS	3	6	3
14th SVS 2	4	9	0
DynCorp 2	3	9	1

Softball standings			
The following are the intramural softball standings as of Wednesday. Call Ext. 2772.			
Team	Wins	Losses	Ties
48th FTS	13	0	1
14th CES 1	12	1	1
14th MSS	14	3	0
14th SFS 1	11	4	0
14th OSS 1	9	4	0
DynCorp	8	6	0
50th FTS	6	6	0
14th MDG	5	9	0
14th OSS 2	3	10	0
14th CES 2	3	15	0
14th SFS 2	3	15	0

## SHORTS

### British Open tournament

The British Open Pick Tournament is Saturday and Sunday. Participants pick a partner on the British Open Tournament. The tour player’s score and participant’s score plus handicap gives a team score. Low net for the two days wins.

Entry is \$10 for members and \$10 plus green fees for nonmembers. Tour player must be selected by 8 a.m. Saturday. Call Ext. 7932.

### Soccer camp registration

Registration for this program ends Monday. Cost is \$86. The program is open to children ages 5 and older. Camp is from 8 to 11 a.m. for 5- to 10-year-olds and from 5 to 8 p.m. for ages 11 and older Monday to July 26. Call Ext. 2504.

### July youth bowling special

The bowling center offers this special for ages 5 to 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Participants can receive one

game of bowling, shoe rental, hot dog, bag of chips and a small soda for \$3.75. They will be able to purchase additional games for \$1 per game. Note: An adult must accompany children under 12. Call Ext. 2426.

### Coaches needed

The Air Education and Training Command Softball championship will be held at Lackland AFB, Texas, Aug. 24 and 25. The fitness and sports center is seeking applicants to coach the Columbus AFB All-Star team.

All coaching applicants must be active duty and submit a resume stating their qualifications. Varsity experience preferred but not mandatory. Applicants can submit resumes to the Columbus AFB Fitness and Sports Center. Call Ext. 2772.

### Fall soccer registration

Registration is until Sept. 6. Cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for nonmembers. Applicants must have a physical on file or

turn in physical at time of registration. Call Ext. 2504.

### Pool hours

The Independence Pool is open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday to Sunday. The kiddie pool opens at 9 a.m. Lap swimming is from 6 to 7:30 a.m., 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Admission for non-season pass holders is \$1 per day for eligible users and family members and \$2 per day for non-family member guests. Lap swimming is free. Call Ext. 2491.

### Earn gear

Sign up at the fitness center for one of these incentive programs and earn Awesome Possum workout prizes: join the running club, cycling club and/or walking club. Call Ext. 2772.

### Family fun days

Family fun days are Mondays and

Wednesdays from 4 to 9 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 8 p.m. at the bowling center. All games are \$1.50 per game and 50 cents for shoes. Call Ext. 2426.

### Season pool passes

The pool has season passes for sale. Cost is \$15 for club members and \$20 for nonmembers. Two family members are \$28 for club members and \$35 for nonmembers. Three people of the same family are \$35 for club members and \$45 for nonmembers. Four people of the same family are \$38 for club members and \$50 for nonmembers. Additional family members and children 5 and under, there is no charge for. Call Ext. 2491.

### Thursday scrambles

Thursday afternoon scrambles at Whispering Pines Golf Course begin at 4:45 p.m.

Sign up by 4 p.m. each Thursday. Entry is \$5 per person plus greens fees for nonmembers. Call Ext. 7932.